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FORTY-EIGHT HOURS TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. WHY NOT SIX WEEKS?

By Dr. M. A. Majors.

It is dreadfully unfortunate that a woman might offer herself for sale for twenty-four hours to the highest bidder. What a reproach it is to our ideas of respectability taught by our fathers and mothers! What a fearful stench from the cess pool of human depravity that the hellish hysteria of a white woman should screech, and scream down the corridors of a Roosevelt civilization the horrifying sale of a perfidious filthy body for twenty-four hours, or forty-eight hours to the highest bidder.

No matter the cause, if it be honest and we question that, to herald such insolence through the morning press that a white woman realizes the commercial rating of her sex and to all appearances would Bradstreet and Dun, the clearing houses of Chicago. If there is such a fool running loose in this city Kankakee is the place for minds diseased.

If the ugly ghoul of infamous imagination of hysterical women should be given free play through the public press upon the rudely-included cave man whose number is greater than John saw on the Isle of Patmos, then we might as well cross out the words, character, virtue and purity, and laugh down with horrid scowls the definitions to decency.

We are fearful for the white race; we almost tremble at the taunts and vexations of our bewildered soul to find the very antithesis to purity and virtue advertised through the public press, honey combed with a sympathetic fringe of sickening ridiculous comment, the nasty frothings of polluted harlotry.

The devil in ugly quest today with monstrous size obtrudes his loathing, creature smashing arrogance, and he has the daily white press to "you tell em."

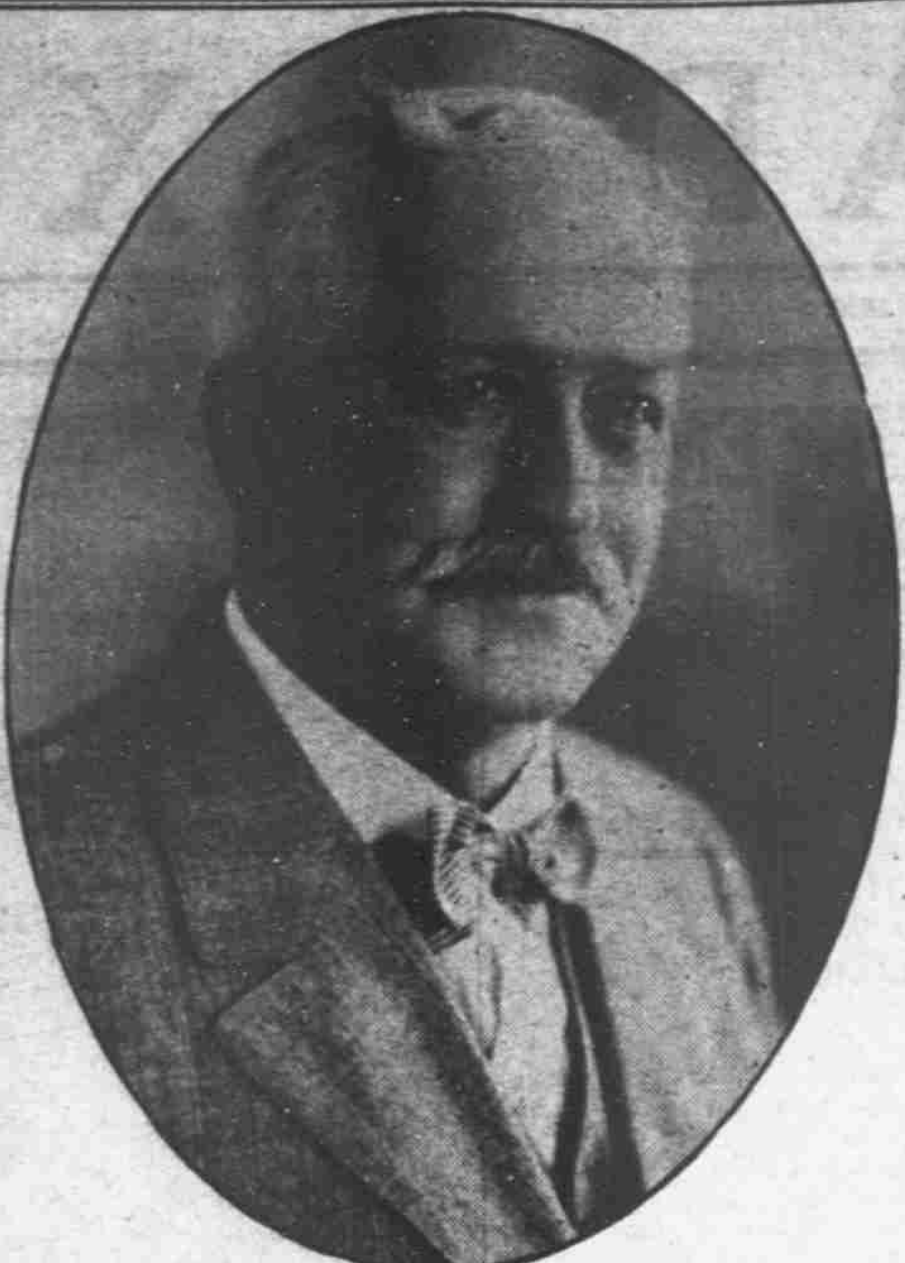
FIRST COLORED POLICEMAN ON CHICAGO FORCE RESIGNS.

Martin Van Buren French, the first colored policeman in Chicago, handed his resignation in to Chief Garrity Wednesday with the statement that he thought he was old enough to quit. French is 67, and has been a member of the police force since 1883. French was appointed a policeman by Chief Austin J. Doyle, under Mayor Carter Harrison, Sr., and began work in the Desplains Street Station, later being removed to the old Harrison Street District, and finally to the Cottage Grove Station. In 1883 French captured Billy Banks and Judd Dutton, two notorious South Side characters after they had shot him twice. For several years he has been breaking in new Negro members of the force. He and his wife will go to his old home in Tennessee for a vacation.

HOW EDITORS START THINGS.

The editor was a believer in "yellow journalism" and ran this as a leading editorial: "The business man of this town who is in the habit of hugging his stenographer, had better quit or we will publish his name."

The next day thirty-seven business men called at the office, paid up their subscriptions for a year in advance, left thirty-seven columns of advertising to run indefinitely, and told the editor not to pay any attention to "fool" stories.—E.L.



HON. JOSEPH F. HAAS

The Extremely Popular and Honest Recorder of Cook County; Who has Thousands of Warm Friends Who are Confident that he will be Re-Nominated at the Primaries, Wednesday, September 15, and Re-Elected to his present Position at the November Election.

Hon. Joseph F. Haas, Republican candidate for re-nomination for Recorder of Cook County, whose fair and honorable name has become a household word throughout this city, Cook County and throughout the State of Illinois, was born in Chicago, November 13, 1857, and was educated in the public schools of this city. He was employed by Jameson & Morse Printing Co. in 1873-1874, he entered the employ of J. S. Barnes & Co., hatmakers and furriers, as errand boy and became a partner in 1890. He continued in business until elected clerk of the Sanitary District of Chicago in 1898. He resigned on June 11, 1900, on account of the illness of his partner.

Mr. Haas was elected State Senator from the twenty-fifth senatorial district in 1902-1906. As state senator he introduced and was instrumental in passing many important measures. He was chairman of the Chicago Charter Committee of the forty-fourth general assembly.

Among the important bills which he introduced are now laws were the bills creating the Municipal Courts of Chicago which abolished the old police justice system; the bill creating forest preserve which is making possible the conservation of the woodlands in the county for public park systems, and several other bills giving to the park boards the power to maintain and govern the parks and boulevards under their control; a bill fixing the date limit on time which persons could sue a municipality for personal injuries, a law which has saved Chicago and other cities hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Mr. Haas also voted for amendments to the Torrens system, which has broadened its scope.

He was elected county clerk in 1906 and conducted the business of that office in an efficient manner.

The recorder is the official custodian of all the records affecting the title of every piece of property in this county. He conducts big business, requiring the attention of a man of considerable business experience.

Mr. Haas is a member of many fraternal societies and other organizations. Chief among them are Maplewood Council No. 1024, Royal Arcanum; Enterprise Council No. 50, Royal League, Kilwinning Lodge No. 411, A. F. & A. M.

For more than thirty years the people residing in this city have known Mr. Haas as a high class business man.

To the undying or to the everlasting credit of Haas, it must be said that he employs more colored clerks and stenographers in the County Recorder's office than all of his predecessors combined, for several years past sixteen colored clerks and stenographers have been steadily employed in his office and they are scattered throughout all of its departments and occupy seats or desks

where any one will not experience any trouble in beholding them.

Therefore we feel confident that the vast majority of the colored men and women voters in this city and county

will on Wednesday, September 15, primary day, cast their votes in favor of the re-nomination of Mr. Haas for County Recorder for he has proven his sincere friendship for the colored race.

HON. SHEADRICK B. TURNER, HAS IN THE PAST ACCOMPLISHED MUCH GOOD IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THIS STATE AND SHOULD BE RETAINED IN IT AS ONE OF ITS MEMBERS.

In the First Senatorial District, there are 7 men (2 white and 5 colored) candidates for the Republican nomination for Representative in the next General Assembly. Their names, as they will appear on the ballot are:

MAX SCHMIDT (white)
SHEADRICK B. TURNER
JAMES T. BREWINGTON
WILLIAM M. BRINKMAN (white)
BENJAMIN H. LUCAS
ROBERT W. LACEY
WALTER J. LUNEY.

Only two can be nominated. Each voter has three votes. He can give all three votes to one candidate by marking a cross (X) in the square in front of the name of that candidate.

Give Shadrick B. Turner three votes by marking a cross in the square in front of his name, and no other.

Danger.—If you do not give Shadrick B. Turner your three votes, it is likely the votes of colored people will be so scattered that the two white men will win, and we will have no Representative in the Legislature. Mr. Turner is the only colored candidate who can win.

Rumor.—It is rumored and understood in political circles that the other colored candidates are running for no other purpose than to divide the colored vote, and make it possible to elect two white men.

Shadrick B. Turner has been a member of the Legislature twice. In the last Legislature he was a member of the important Judiciary Committee, which passes on all bills affecting or changing the Laws of this State. He is the only colored candidate who has any chance of being placed on that committee if elected. We need a man on that committee. Only lawyers are appointed on that committee and Mr. Turner is the only lawyer among the colored candidates.

Shadrick B. Turner was a member of the Committee on Constitutional Convention; he safe-guarded the rights of our racial group by voting to limit the appropriation for that convention to \$500,000; this money has all been used up; if elected, he will vote against any

further appropriation to this convention, and the danger of constitutional changes which might harm our group will be past.

The Legislative Voters' League does not like Shadrick B. Turner, and it does not like you. Mr. Turner does not believe the Legislative Voters' League is friendly to colored people, and will not vote as they dictate. He refuses to sign their pledges, and they do not know how he will vote when he goes in. Hence their opposition to him. They wanted Mr. Turner to vote for House Bill No. 29, which sought to make it unlawful in Illinois for white and colored people to live in the same house.

Shadrick B. Turner is one of the most widely known and best liked colored men in Illinois, and his influence and the respect in which he is held are great accordingly. He is able to accomplish things for his people and for the general welfare, and we need him in the Legislature.

Assistance at the Polls.—If you are not sure that you know how to give Shadrick B. Turner your Three votes, ask the Judges at the polls for assistance; tell them you want to give Shadrick B. Turner Three votes; see that they make a cross in the square in front of his name, and no other mark; then you mark the rest of your ballot.

Mr. Turner introduced nine bills in the last general assembly and sacrificed them in order to receive votes enough to kill bill No. 155 sponsored by Governor Lowden, which had for its purpose segregation of the colored people. Mr. Turner was successful in defeating this measure.

One of the candidates, Mr. Benjamin H. Lucas, voted for a resolution submitting to the people the proposition for a new constitutional convention which was the most dangerous measure that has happened to our race in this State for 40 years. You desire a man in the Legislative Hall who can, and will protect your political, personal, and property rights. If so vote for Shadrick B. Turner.

Primaries Wednesday, September 15. Both men and women can vote for him.—Adv.

HON. DAVID F. MATCHETT, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR THE NOMINATION FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY, SETS FORTH HIS VIEWS.

The following short statement has been issued by Judge David F. Matchett, Republican candidate for the nomination for state's attorney and it speaks for itself:

"My platform is simple. I have repeated it over and over, but I repeat it again. I want every one to know it. It is easily understood and if I am elected I will stand by it. And I'll see to it that the crook understands it. No man needs to expect favors, and no man needs to fear that I will try to bulldoze him. I will simply enforce the law.

"Here is my platform:
"Enforce the law justly.
"Crush organized crime.
"Punish the guilty.

"Certainly you people understand that the candidate of a machine that has bankrupted the city of Chicago and permitted vice and crime to run rampant would object to this. I believe that the good people of Chicago are tired of living on promises never fulfilled and bunk fed out by this crowd. Honesty and industry are needed in the state's attorney's office more than anywhere else. I promise you I'll work."

It must be said to the great credit of Judge Matchett, that he is an able and eminent lawyer, a highly honored citizen—his record as one of the judges of the Circuit Court of Cook County is an open book and he who runs may read and we have every reason to believe that he would safe guard the rights of all the citizens, both rich and poor, alike as state's attorney of Cook County.

TEACHERS IN COLORED SCHOOLS PRESENT A CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM—BETTER CHILDREN AND BETTER HEALTH—PURE, LIGHT FOR FACTS OF NEGRO LIFE—EFFICIENT, WELL-PAID TEACHING—RACIAL GOOD-WILL—IMPROVEMENT OF COUNTRY AND CITY LIFE.

By Elias X. Floyd,
Executive Secretary, N. A. T. C. S.

Augusta, Ga.—The National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, assembled in Baltimore, recently endorsed the Sunday-School work of Dr. H. C. Lyman and recommended that the training offered by the International Sunday School Association be incorporated in school curricula and the National Negro Health Week. It made the "National Note-Book" the Association's official organ. It encouraged teachers to acquire a knowledge of country life.

The Association declared that "the length of school terms for colored

schools should be the same as for white schools and that colored teachers should be paid the same salaries as white teachers for like grades and like service." It recommended that "the standard of teaching be raised to the requirement of normal training beyond the high school."

The Association thanked Pierre Du Pont for his gift of \$900,000, with which to build and equip schools for colored children in the rural sections of Delaware. It gave encouragement to Negro composers to develop their own peculiar idioms. It supported the idea of having a national Negro conservatory of music established and of having colored teachers introduce in their schools a systematic study of the history and literature of the Negro race.

The Association deprecated the condition of unrest which has been prevalent among colored people during the past two years and pledged its loyalty to the United States and to the several states in the work of adjusting after-war conditions.

Among the Association's "declarations" were the following:

"We believe in the education of all the people. We believe in an increase of salaries for teachers throughout the United States and in the erection of adequate, modern school buildings, properly equipped and generously maintained.

"We believe in the thorough training of those who teach. We believe that all schools should be thorough in what they attempt to do. We believe in the gospel of a sound mind in a sound body and in co-operation for better public health.

"We believe in the life of the country as well as in the life of the city, in scientific farming, in home-ownership, in economic independence and self-respect."

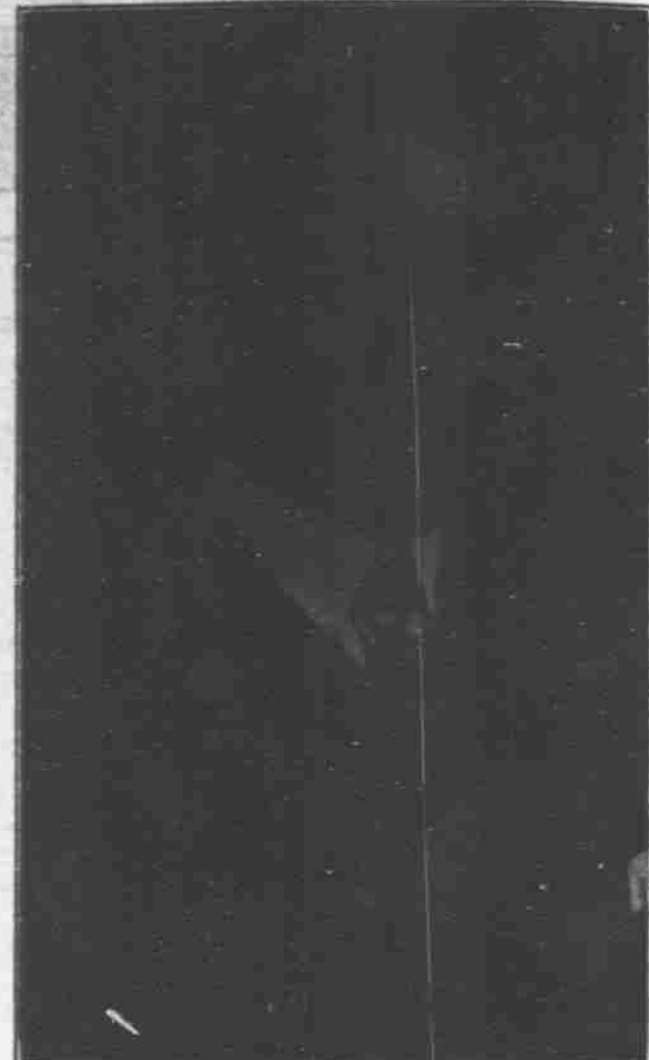
QUINN CHAPIN, A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

24th and Wabash Avenue, H. E. Stewart, Pastor.

Last Sunday evening most splendid and extraordinary services were conducted by the editors and members of the Negro Press of Chicago. Next Sunday morning, September 5, there will be monthly communion. September 9 Bishop Wm. T. Vernon, ex-register of the Treasurer, will deliver a lecture. Admission free.—"O."

VISITS MORGAN PARK.

T. G. Gunn of Roanoke, Va., with his wife and daughter spent several weeks in the city as the guest of Officer and Mrs. Julius Glass, 1301 W. 111th street, Morgan Park. En route home, they will visit friends at Cleveland, Ohio.



HON. SHEADRICK B. TURNER.

Successful Lawyer, Who is Well Known to all the Circuit, Superior and Municipal Court Judges in this City and County; Republican Candidate for Re-nomination for the Legislature from the First Senatorial District of Illinois. Both Men and Women can vote for him three times at the Primaries, Wednesday September 15.

REV. JOHN F. THOMAS HAS PASSED ON INTO THE NEXT WORLD.

Rev. John F. Thomas, veteran pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, 35th and Dearborn streets, widely known as an advocate of the Baptist doctrine and race reciprocity, a highly respected citizen, has fallen by the wayside and was buried from the Ebenezer Baptist Church Monday, August 30.

As early as 7 o'clock a. m. hundreds of men, women and children had found their way from the country districts as well as the city proper, New York, Tennessee, California, Arkansas, Texas and the Gulf of Mexico and had gathered at the church where they waited the arrival of the funeral cortege. At 9:30, just 30 minutes before the funeral exercises were to be held, there was not a seat left in the church and the streets for blocks around were crowded with human beings who remained from 9:30 to 3 p. m. to get a last look at the man who had rendered such valuable service to his race and to his country. Rev. C. H. Clark of Nashville, Tenn., delivered the funeral oration. Other state and national officers took an active part. At the close of the exercises, his body was taken by ministers and Masonic lodges and Grand Army to its last resting place in Lincoln Cemetery. Thus Chicago and Illinois as well as the country has been deprived of one of their best citizens.

Rev. Thomas was over 77 years old at the time of his death, he was one of the first Baptist preachers to locate in this city when it was only a small town and he lived to see it become one of the greatest cities in the wide world.

For years he was the honored chaplain of the famous Eighth Regiment of Illinois and served with it in Cuba

during the Spanish-American War in 1898.

During the race riots in this city in 1919 he became a figure of note through his lone-handed efforts to disperse a mob of 3,000 persons. He was wounded in the Civil War.

APFOMATTOX CLUB NOTES.

By Othello W. Collins.

The final game of progressive whist was played Saturday evening. Joseph Brent won the grand prize and the title of champion. Joseph Crum, club critic said, "The minute I saw Brent enter the club with a box of cigars, and a bulging hip pocket, I picked him for the winner." Dr. Dickerson, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee said, "Brent is the greatest whist player in the club, he showed great class."

HONORED.

While attending the annual convention of U. B. F. & S. M. T. held at Springfield, Ill., M. T. Bailey, president, Bailey Press Bureau, 3638 State street, was highly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford and Rev. and Mrs. Geo. W. Jones of Springfield.

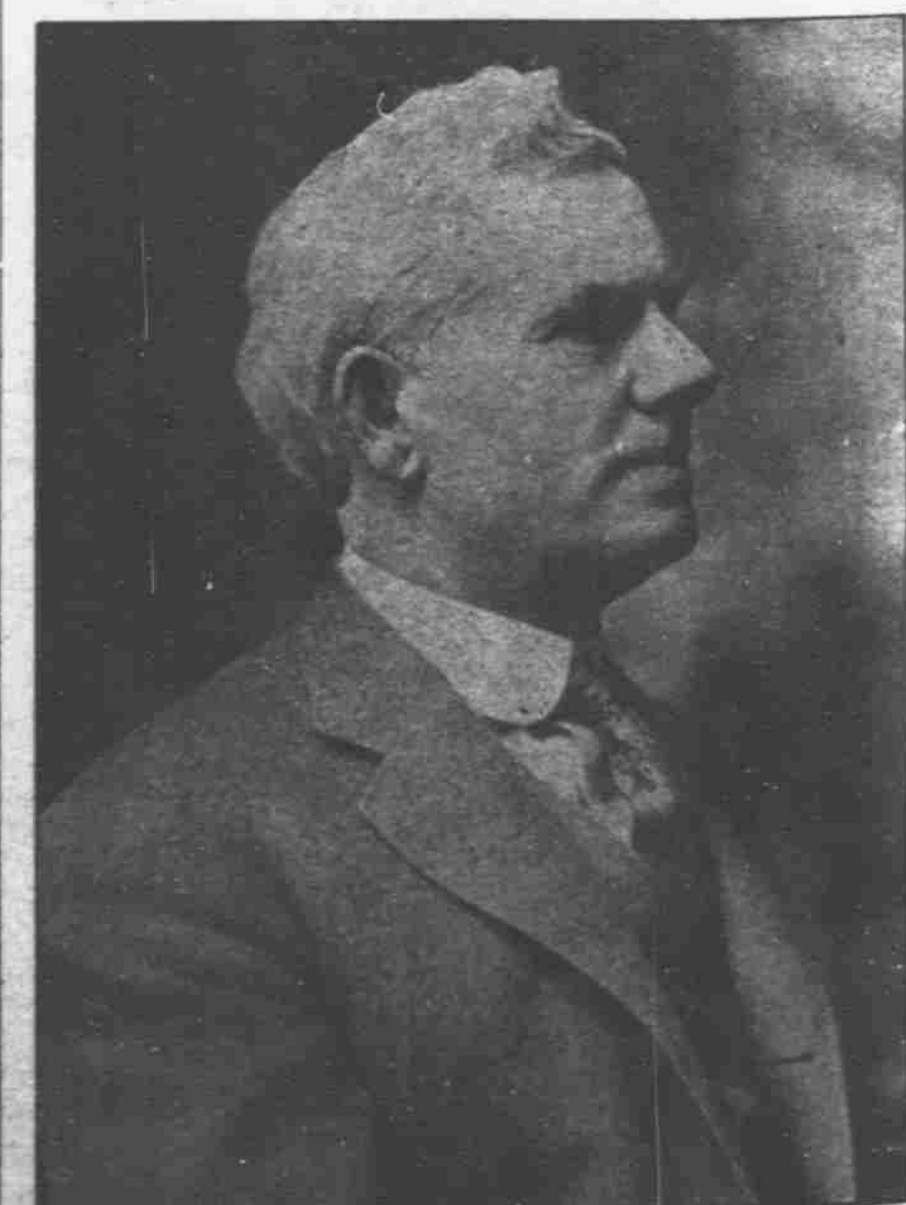
BAILEY BUSY.

Sunday and Monday, Labor Day, will be extremely busy days in the suburbs for M. T. Bailey, president, Bailey Realty Co., 3638 State street, who will remain all day both days at 111th street, and Racine avenue, where he will try to accommodate all people who want to buy future homesites.



HON. WILLIAM H. WEBER.

One of the Most Influential and Prominent Leaders of the Republican Party in Cook County; Member and Secretary of the Board of Assessors; Who is ever ready to do a good turn for his hundreds of warm Colored Friends and all the Colored Voters, both men and women, throughout Cook County, should rally to his support, Wednesday September 15, Primary Day and Assist him to be Re-nominated and Re-elected to his present position.



HON. MARTIN B. MADDEN.

Member of Congress from the First Congressional District of Illinois, Who is one of the Best Friends of the Colored Race that has ever Stood Up in the Halls of Congress and With the United or Solid Support of the Colored People Residing in his District he will Again be Re-Nominated and Re-Elected to Congress.